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Resources

AN ACT

To authorize the establishment of a memorial to victims
who died as a result of terrorist acts against the United
States or its people, at home or abroad.

1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

1 **SECTION 1. AUTHORIZATION OF MEMORIAL.**

2 (a) IN GENERAL.—The Advisory Board established
3 in section 2(a) is authorized to establish a memorial (re-
4 ferred to hereafter in this Act as the “Memorial”) in ac-
5 cordance with this Act on Federal lands administered by
6 the National Park Service in the District of Columbia and
7 its environs (as defined in section 8902(a)(3) of title 40,
8 United States Code) to victims who died as a result of
9 terrorist acts against the United States or its people, at
10 home or abroad, except those individuals identified by the
11 Attorney General of the United States as participating or
12 conspiring in terrorist-related activities.

13 (b) DETAIL OF EMPLOYEES.—The Secretary of the
14 Interior shall detail to the Advisory Board such support
15 staff as are necessary to assist the members of the Advi-
16 sory Board in carrying out its responsibilities.

17 (c) RELATIONSHIP TO THE COMMEMORATIVE WORKS
18 ACT.—Chapter 89 of title 40, United States Code, shall
19 apply to the Memorial, with the exception of section
20 8903(c) of that title which shall not apply to the Memorial.

21 **SEC. 2. ADVISORY BOARD.**

22 (a) ESTABLISHMENT.—There is established an advi-
23 sory board to be known as the “Victims of Terrorism Me-
24 morial Advisory Board” (referred to hereafter in this Act
25 as the “Advisory Board”).

1 (b) MEMBERS.—The Advisory Board shall consist of
2 13 members who shall be appointed not later than 3
3 months after the date of the enactment of this Act. Nine
4 members shall be appointed by the President (in consulta-
5 tion with the Secretary of the Interior and the Secretary
6 of Defense), 2 members by the Speaker of the House of
7 Representatives (in consultation with the Minority Lead-
8 er) and 2 members by the Majority Leader of the Senate
9 (in consultation with the Minority Leader) from interested
10 persons, including representatives of organizations dedi-
11 cated to assisting victims of terrorism and their families.

12 (c) CHAIRPERSON.—The Chairperson of the Advisory
13 Board shall be one of its members elected by a majority
14 of the members at the first meeting of the Advisory Board.

15 (d) TERMS; VACANCIES.—Members of the Advisory
16 Board shall serve for the life of the Advisory Board. The
17 President shall make appointments to fill any vacancies
18 that occur.

19 (e) DUTIES.—The Advisory Board shall—

20 (1) raise necessary funds to establish, design,
21 construct, and maintain the Memorial; and

22 (2) begin consultation under section 8907 of
23 title 40, United States Code, not later than 1 year
24 after the date of the enactment of this Act.

1 (f) DONATIONS.—The Advisory Board may accept
2 donations on behalf of the United States for the establish-
3 ment, design, construction, and maintenance of the Memo-
4 rial.

5 (g) TERMINATION.—The Advisory Board shall termi-
6 nate not later than 120 days after completion of the Me-
7 morial.

8 (h) FACA.—The Federal Advisory Committee Act (5
9 U.S.C. App.) shall not apply to the Advisory Board.

10 **SEC. 3. DEPOSIT OF EXCESS FUNDS.**

11 If, upon payment of all expenses of the establishment
12 of the Memorial (including the maintenance and preserva-
13 tion amount provided for in section 8906(b) of title 40,
14 United States Code), or upon expiration of the 7-year pe-
15 riod beginning on the date of the enactment of this Act,
16 there remains a balance in the funds received under sec-
17 tion 8903(f) of title 40, United States Code, for mainte-
18 nance of the Memorial, the Chairperson of the Advisory
19 Board shall transfer the amount of the balance to the

- 1 Secretary of the Treasury for deposit in the account pro-
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